

Dear Jim,

Your 8/15/75 to Stetler

8/16/75

Thanks. Will also enjoyed it. She read it first.

Should they write me about this my response will be that with the indications I have of their concepts and impartiality I see no reason to waste time I can better spend on what will not mislead people and may produce that for which they and others will credit those whose careers are of deception. Something like it. I'll not explain the multiple errors in the line you quote, either.

There is a coincidence in this I'll take time for or I'll forget it. With the new routing our mail comes earlier, as I noticed on returning from a trip into town for some xeroxing (12¢ a page at the cheapest place here now) for a reporter who is weekendening here. 10 a.m. Wow! Been up to after 1 p.m.

In the course of revising the addition to PM I thought it would be a good idea to give the uninformed reader a notion of what is known about these tests and how long it has been known. Well, what I have is merely what a couple of students got for me without any trouble, from standard library sources. One, as you know, is a girl I saw only that one time - a stranger and not an assassination buff. Merely a concerned young citizen. (She did, by the provide at least something along the line I've been wanting, the statistical need. Now I know I'm right and am more convinced than ever that we'll find this in a teaching text.) When college starts up again I have high expectations from another young woman, one reading my work and correspondence with me persuaded to become a lawyer.

The potential of these tests is fantastic. Spectrography goes back a century! Photography with it not less than 40 years.

Paul and Lifton both studied this and neither remembered enough to be willing on their own or after I asked both?

Paul is a physicist. PhD in it yet. And he says Lifton, the engineer, knows more. Lifton says his friends include authentic experts.

I think we need no more reading on either and the intentions of either.

The truth is that common sense alone tells the least informed, the least scientific minded, that statistics are utterly indispensable with both tests. One needs no knowledge. So, both had to know without my asking and prodding.

The same is true of Bob Smith, who regarded and wrote about my suit as the CTIA's from the first of the first suit. He never responded to me on anything and whatever he may have given Bud was worthless or Bud didn't understand it. I did ask him to get this most basic info not later than 1970. Cyril and McCollom, too.

Perhaps in the end it will be better this way. If only you and I are involved we can be certain that there will be no irresponsibility. There remains great potential I've never discussed with you because, if this effort fails, it remains an alternative. Our problem was the usual one, money. I was not unaware. We just can't get \$50 each for each of the spectrographic plates. None of these scientific geniuses has yet tumbled to this or if any has he has forgotten it. It could cost \$5,000. With luck we'll not need them. But we can go back for them any time we want to and we both saw them and can describe them. (I think the \$50 price was only a lie to discourage us.)

We both thank you. If Stetler is a different kind of cat you may have done other good.

Best,